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MAY 4.

ARTHUR ERWIN BROWN, Sc.D., Vice-President, in the Chair.

Sixty-five persons present.

The Publication Committee reported the reception of a paper entitled "The Vegetation of the Salt Marshes and of the Salt and Fresh-water Ponds of Northern Coastal New Jersey," by John W. Harshberger, Ph.D. (April 24).

The deaths of Charles Hartshorne, October 30, 1908, and of Dr. Joseph Thomas, January 28, 1909, members, were announced.

MR. STEWARDSON BROWN made a communication on a botanical trip to the headwaters of the Saskatchewan and Athabasca Rivers, British Columbia. (No abstract.)

MAY 18.

ARTHUR ERWIN BROWN, Sc.D., Vice-President, in the Chair.

Forty-one persons present.

The presentation of a paper entitled "The Occurrence of *Bufo columbiensis* East of the Rocky Mountains," by Robert T. Young (May 5), was reported by the Publication Committee.

The death of Dr. C. N. Peirce, a member of the Council, May 15, was announced.

PROF. GILBERT VAN INGEN made a communication on the so-called Clinton Iron Ore of Bloomsburg, Penna. (No abstract.)

MR. EDGAR T. WHERRY spoke of the silicified woods of the New Red. (No abstracts.)

Scolithus linearis Burrows with Orifice Complete.—MR. BENJAMIN SMITH LYMAN remarked that *Scolithus linearis*, so abundant at many places in the Pennsylvania Cambrian quartzite, was long supposed to be a fucoid plant; and even so late as thirty years ago was in a well-known valuable text-book called a plant, though at least fifteen years